

Amendment to the Specification:

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 4, line 3 as follows:

In the illustrated embodiment, vehicle 10 is a go-kart and ground-engaging device 26 is one or both of the rear wheels of the go-kart, as shown, for example, in FIG. 1. A connector 28 is used to interconnect driven pulley system ~~[[18]]~~ 16 and device 26. Connector 28 includes a jackshaft 30 coupled to driven pulley system 16, a rear axle 32 coupled to device 26, and a chain-and-sprocket unit 34 coupled to jackshaft 30 and rear axle 32. In some embodiments, a differential (not shown) is included in connector 28. It is within the scope of this disclosure for vehicle 10 to be other types of vehicles such as all-terrain vehicles, motorcycles, mini-bikes, and snowmobiles, and the like, and for ground-engaging element 26 and connector 28 to be suitable for such a vehicle.

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 6, line 18 as follows:

Centrifugal weight unit 20 moves radially outwardly due to centrifugal force thereon upon increased engine speed and moves radially inwardly upon a decrease in engine speed. In the illustrated embodiment, unit 20 includes three weights 94, three springs 96, and three spring connectors 98. Each spring connector 98 extends through a weight 94 to interconnect adjacent springs 96. The springs and connectors comprise means biasing the weights toward axis 39.